

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Specification pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 as follows:

On page 4, line 27 continuing through page 5, line 8, please amend the text as follows:

The case body 5 has one end being ~~left~~ open end 5d, arresting portions 5a and 5a being disposed therein by removing both sides thereof, and a bearing hole 5c being formed in a closure plate 5b disposed at the other end as shown especially in FIG. 3 to FIG. 5, and it is housed in a mounting hole 3c disposed in the mounting portion 3b in a state where the rotation thereof is prevented. Note that the shape of this case body 5 is one example and is not limited to that shown in the drawings. For example, as means for preventing the rotation, a protrusion can be provided on the case body instead of deforming the case body as a whole. However, removing both sides of the case body 5 to make it open as shown in the drawings enables air inside the case body 5 to easily escape outside when a cam slider described later slides, which brings about the advantage of improving the smooth operability of the small-sized hinge device.

On page 5, line 28 continuing through page 6, line 4, please amend the text as follows:

On a surface portion at one end of the fixed cam 8, a first cam portion 9 is disposed and as shown especially in FIG. 6, the first cam portion 9 is composed of a pair of concave portions 9a and 9a facing and symmetrical with each other, first inclined portions 9b and 9b forming one of the concave portions 9a and 9a and having large and steep slope surfaces, gently inclined plane portions 9c and 9c provided adjacent to the first inclined portions 9b and 9b, and second inclined portions 9d and 9d composed of the other small and gentle slope surface to form a concave portion 9a.

On page 6, lines 5-12, please amend the text as follows:

Inside the case body 5, a cam slider 10 is also accommodated to face the fixed cam 8, a deformed through hole 10a, which is also formed in a center portion thereof along its axial direction, being passed through by the deformed shaft portion 6d of the shaft 6. The cam slider 10 is rotatable and slidable in an axial direction together with the shaft 6 since it is arrested by the deformed shaft portion 6b of the shaft 6, and it has a second cam portion 11, which is composed of a pair of convex portions 11a and 11a, formed on a side thereof facing the first cam portion 9 of the fixed cam 8.

On page 6, lines 25-28, please amend the text as follows:

Between the arresting body 12 and the cam slider 10, a compression spring 14 is interposed resiliently while being wound around the deformed shaft portion 6b of shaft 6, so that cam slider 10 is always biased slidably toward the fixed cam 8. Greases are coated portions between first cam portion 9 and second cam portion 11, between case body and cam slider 10, and between shaft 6 and cam slider 10.

On page 6, line 28 continuing through page 7, line 5, please amend the text as follows:

Therefore, as shown especially in FIG. 6, when the transmitter section 2 and the receiver section 3 are in a closed state, the convex portions 11a and 11a of the second cam portion 11 in the cam slider 10 drop inside the first inclined portions 9b and 9b of the first cam portion 9 in the fixed cam 8 to stably keep their closed state, and when they begin to open, the convex portions 11a and 11a move up along the first inclined portions 9b and 9b of the convex portions 9a and 9a and move down along the inclined plane portions 9c and 9c, so that they are opened smoothly.